





# THE CHINA MAIL.

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## DEATH.

At Shanghai, on the 1st November, ALEXANDER B. KEY.

## MARRIAGE.

At the British Consulate, Ningpo, on the 28th October, by the Rev. JAMES D. VAUGHAN, VICAR, P. J. NISBET, Esq., to JESSIE MARY NISBET, second daughter of David Nisbet, Esq., late of Edinburgh. No cards.

## SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Our advices from Japan come down to October 31. The war in the South has lulled. Stotsbashi reigns, and people are anxious to hear what policy the new Shogun will adopt. Some appear to think that he will endeavour to patch up the quarrel, and others again affirm that, according to Japanese law or custom he will be compelled *volens volens* to carry on the war.

From Chefoo we learn that the French fleet consisting of the burning of the *General Sherman* by the Koreans and the consequent death of all on board is confirmed under date of our frigate, 3 corvettes, and 4 gun boats which left for Corea on the 11th ultimo, on the 15th entered the town of Kanghoo, some distance up a river, described as a small place of only 10,000 inhabitants, nearly all of whom deserted the town on the French approach. The fact of the murder of the missionaries is fully admitted by the Koreans, and a mandarin who was captured and taken on board the admiral's ship seemed to glory in the fact. The King invited the French admiral to proceed to the capital to negotiate; but this was declined, as a trap was suspected, and a despatch was sent instead, in which demands were made for punishment of the mandarin who had instigated the murders, and for the appointment of a plenipotentiary. News had been brought to the French by a Korean convert that junks containing stones had been sunk in the River Seoul, between Kanghoo and the capital; and that the Viceroy had despatched an army 15,000 strong to attack them. In another page will be found a very interesting account of the expedition in the form of a diary. The Seoul is officially declared under blockade by the French.

From Shanghai we learn upon authority of the *North China Herald*, that the Viceroy has at length determined on the movement against the Honan and Shan-tung Nienfai, to which Tseng-kwo-fan has so frequently urged him, and has left Nan-king for the seat of war. For once apparently, the Imperialists are in earnest in their operations. A triple advance has been planned,—the Viceroy marching from the South, Tseng-kwo-fan from the East, and another imperialist force from the North-west,—by which it is open to surround and effectually crush the rebels. Hitherto, there can be no doubt, Li has not co-operated heartily with his patron and present rival. It did not answer his purpose to contribute to the latter's power and glory, without advancing his own; and he has waited an opportune time for a decisive blow of which the credit should redound on himself. Had he moved at first, Tseng-kwo-fan, as Commander-in-Chief, would have had the credit of success; but now, the latter having proved himself unable during a long campaign to inflict any decisive blow on his opponents, it will be to Li's arrival on the scene that victory will be attributed, should it crown the Imperial banners; and his prestige which will be exalted.

The most interesting announcement in the report by the Finance Rate and Appeal Committee of the Shanghai Municipality is that a step has been made towards reducing the Municipal debt. The recommendation that Tls. 1,520 be written off as a bad debt and Tls. 2,100 carried to suspense account, pending the institution of legal proceedings, is less satisfactory. The two principal defaulters appear to be Mr. E. M. Smith, and H. I. C. M. Customs; the claim against whom amounts, in the aggregate, to Tls. 3,030 out of the Tls. 3,686 in arrears. Mr. Smith, we believe, refuses payment on account of alleged illegal action by the Council in 1864, in collecting Gambling House and Brothel licenses, and injury which, he avers, he sustained thereby. The Customs object, on the ground that the Emperor of China should not be taxed on his own soil; but appear to overlook the fact that the police protect the Haqua bank; and that the Customs officers have all the advantages of draining, lighting and other Municipal arrangements. The Council have apparently resolved to abandon a portion of this claim, and to sue for the remainder. Much more to be regretted, however, is the statement that five Prussian subjects decline to contribute towards an institution of which they, notwithstanding, claim all the advantages. We are not told the ground of defalcation; but presume they rely on the judgment delivered by Mr. Tettenborn in December last, denying the liability of house-holders. His Prussian Majesty's Consul-General, it will be remembered, upheld Messrs. Oppart & Co. in a similar resistance to a

Municipal claim, on the ground that the Land Regulations empowered the Law Renters to tax themselves only, and applied in no way to tenants of houses. On the Land Renters, he ruled, "rests the responsibility of paying the taxes, which they have no right to levy on tenants of houses who are in no other connection and under no other obligation as regards their landlords, than are contained in their deeds and mutual agreements." This decision may be logical, and in accordance with the wording of Article X of the Regulations; but it is little to the credit of the gentlemen named, that they avail of its support. Clearly, however, as the Municipal Council imply, if house-holders are not liable to taxes, they cannot claim the benefits arising from their expenditure; and the gentlemen who have taken up this position will be fitly punished, in case of burglary, by being left to their own resources.

The discussion which took place at the last meeting of Treaty Consuls, on the subject of Yangtze pilotage, has borne fruit in the publication of an identical set of rules by the representatives of France, America, England and Prussia, and the Commissioner of Customs on behalf of the Chinese authorities; restricting the exercise of the calling to persons licensing by a qualified Board of Examiners. Certainly the entrance to the Yangtze is not so free from danger that restrictions are here unnecessary. Yet, during the quarter of a century that the port has been opened, no attempt has hitherto been made to enforce them, other than by a combination of insurance offices. These have proved nearly complete failures; and, practically it has been open to any one who could afford a boat in which to cruise about, to offer himself as a pilot to any ship approaching the port. The Regulations now determined on, will do away with this anomaly. No one who has not passed a Board of Examiners, consisting of the Harbour Master and any three persons selected from a list of experts to be furnished by the mail agents and the local Insurance Companies, will be allowed to ply as a pilot in connection with this port. Individuals so qualified will be entitled to Tls. 4 per foot of draught for piloting steamers or sailing vessels in tow, between Shanghai and the light ship—or Tls. 5 per foot for sailing vessels not in tow, between Shanghai and Guttsalf. These rates, which would allow Tls. 99 for piloting a sailing ship of 22 feet from the light ship, or Tls. 110 from Guttsalf to Shanghai, cannot be deemed excessive. Any attempt to monopolise business by under-bidding, or misconduct of any kind while on duty, will subject the offender to suspension of his license in the first instance, and to its withdrawal in the second.

We observe that some new pilot regulations for the river Min have been published by the acting Commissioner of Customs at Foochow; and nearly contemporaneously the Peking Gazette calls attention to the laxity with which the various officers throughout the empire perform their duty, and directing that in all cases candidates for office shall pass examination with a view to ascertaining fitness for appointment to any important post. In accordance with this principle, though not perhaps in consequence of the proclamation, "the Board of Examiners will subject the candidate for appointment as pilot on the Min, whether Foreign or Chinese, to a full and strict examination as to his competency, and make ample enquiry as to his character for sobriety and good conduct. Should he be found competent and trustworthy, the Commissioner of Customs will issue to him a license for inside or outside, according to the certificate of the Board. For each license a fee of five Mexican dollars will be charged."

There seems to have been something unsatisfactory about the recent horse races at Shanghai. Some objectionable "turf practice," it is insinuated by the *Recorder*, was introduced, "and it is now becoming doubtful whether the sport will be continued" at the model settlement. The nature of the alleged practice may be gathered from the following extract from a leader which our contemporary has devoted to the subject:—"We do not pretend to say that a horse may not be scratched or sold at the last moment, and the action be quite within the recognised code of sporting rules. But regulations, which will apply admirably where a large number of horses are entered, throw far more power into the hands of the men owning the animals than is at all desirable, when there are so few entries as is necessarily the case in Shanghai. If withdrawing a horse at the last moment is to be looked upon here as an ordinary thing, there will be an end to horse racing in a very short time; as, seeing that these races must rest upon the performance of one or two horses, the public will be little inclined to back an animal when he may be withdrawn, and the race made to fall either to a second certainty or to some outside seven." The kind of

table wherever perpetrated, and we hope for the credit of our sporting friends at Shanghai, that there is no foundation for the very evident insinuation.

## HONGKONG.

The appeal in the opium case was dismissed by the Chief Justice. The nature of the case will be learnt from the article which follows this. His Honor's judgment was not given on the merits but on technical points. There can be no intelligent doubt that justice has been done to the would-be opium smugglers.

The French barque *Eugene & Adele*, Captain Girard, left Macao for the Havannah on the 7th October, with a freight of 466 coolies. A day or two after she sailed the coolies showed signs of discontent. This dissatisfaction soon ripened into mutiny, and the coolie passengers rose against the officers and crew. A hard fight for the mastery ensued, in which the Chinese are said to have been met by great determination and resolute bravery on the part of those in charge of the vessel. Great numbers of the coolies were killed in the struggle, many more were wounded and the revolt suppressed. The captain, however, was shot dead by one of the mutineers; the chief officer was severely wounded and many of the crew were more or less seriously injured during the melee. The barque arrived at Saigon on the 15th instant. The affair was reported to the authorities there and the wounded were at once placed under medical care in the military hospital of the French government, where we are glad to say, they were fast recovering at the date of the last advices.

Bad dollars of the new coinage are already in circulation, as one of Messrs. Pastau's coolies presented one at the Post office, and appeared in the dock at the police court Friday morning to explain how it became mixed up with the other good dollars tendered, and strange to say neither the prisoner nor the shroff of Messrs. Pastau could account for its presence amongst the rest. The Magistrate discharged the man, at the same time recommending the shroff to be more careful in future. The circulation of the new coinage is naturally exciting some attention northwards. The following suggestion, volunteered by the Hankow *Times*, has been anticipated by the Viceroy of Canton, who has directed that the new dollar, and of course the smaller coins, shall be legal tenders, in payment of Customs' duties at that port. Our contemporaries generally would facilitate the circulation of the new coinage among the Chinese were they to make this fact widely known.—The *Times* says:—"The population of China should be in some way induced to accept the new coin into circulation amongst themselves. This can only be effected by the promulgation of Imperial edicts, decreeing the coin to be a legal tender. If the dollar is to be of any service outside the colony, and as a monetary medium both in the open ports and in the interior of China, there is but one way of rendering it so, and that is by enlisting the interest of the Chinese authorities in the general scheme, and obtaining their aid in enforcing the circulation upon their people." The British Minister at Peking, if supported by his colleagues, is the most likely person to bring about this desirable consummation; and we believe that, were he called upon to make the attempt, he would experience little difficulty in persuading the Imperial Government to come to some advantageous arrangement." Two dies for striking off five cent pieces have, we believe, been stolen within the last few days from the Mint, and so far as we can learn, it has not been found possible to detect the thief or to ascertain the *modus operandi* by which he possessed himself of them. There must be carelessness somewhere in the organisation and distribution of responsibility in connection with this establishment, as this is the second in the third time that similar thefts have occurred. The result will be, that we shall be inundated with counterfeit five cent pieces from Canton, as we are already threatened with an irruption of ten cent, twenty cent, and dollar coins of doubtful value, from the same workshop. We have it on good authority that there are between twenty and thirty thousand bad dollars Hongkong Mint pattern ready to be put into circulation when the proper time comes, and a proportionately large supply of the smaller silver coins. Canton or Fatsan has the honor of containing the rival establishments that turn out these imitations. Is it not possible that some arrangement could be entered into with the Viceroy of the Kwang Tung and Kwangsi provinces by which this danger might be averted? As matters stand at present, the public have no security whatever that 50 per cent of the New Dollars now in circulation are not spurious. It must be plain, to the Chinese authorities that if any quantity of counterfeit dollars get into circulation they as well as we will be sufferers. They ought, therefore, if only in their own interests to take of steps to put a stop to the manufacture

base coin within their jurisdiction. Surely a representation to the Viceroy would suffice to check the evil. In the meantime it is satisfactory to know that the police are making every effort to discover the secret hiding places in this city, where spurious dollars are manufactured, and issued for circulation. On Tuesday morning detective Brown of the Police force placed in the dock two batches of men consisting respectively of six and seven individuals, who had been captured the previous day, the first batch in the lower portion of a house in Tung man Lane, and the latter in a house in West street in Taipingshan, in both cases surrounded by the implements of their business, consisting of anvils, blowing pipes, dies, quicksilver and all the paraphernalia of coining, also in both establishments several hundred spurious dollars, half dollars, quarter dollars, rupees, and other coins. The dollars consisted of Mexicans, Spanish, and the new Hongkong dollar. From the evidence of the constable it appeared that before he arrested the six men in Tung man Lane, he sent a Chinaman, whom he watched into the house, with a dollar, and seeing him come out without losing sight of him received six bad dollars in exchange which the man said he had obtained in the house. The dollars being produced in court, of course proved to be bad. In the second case a Chinaman named Lum Che Seong was employed by the constable, who, accompanied by a friend, who has since disappeared, received at the shop for a five dollar note twelve spurious dollars in exchange. The prisoners having been arrested almost in the act of coining, and in the midst of their utensils, asked no questions, and made no statement of themselves. They were remanded until Tuesday next. Great credit is due to the management of these captures, and it is to be hoped that they will be followed by others.

Much dissatisfaction is reported as existing at Canton in consequence of the recent changes introduced by the new Governor of the Province in the method of levying the inland (not Customs) duties on merchandise. The system pursued of late years has been that of collecting a definite tax from merchants, the impost on merchandise *in transitu* being restricted both in value and amount; but the regulations newly introduced are said to be exceedingly comprehensive in the latter respect, as also to be oppressive in scale. The silk-dealers have represented a memorial to the Governor urging a reduction in the new tariff, but the result is not yet known.

The prophets of decadence of Hongkong will of course be gratified to learn that some French capitalists are organizing a second company in competition with the Americans to steam direct from Panama to Hongkong and there, doubtless, to effect a junction with the Messageries Imperiales steamers from Japan and Shanghai. The *Hankow Advertiser* September 22d has the following statement regarding the new line:—"Each new steam line established appears to be only the herald of another. Before the Japan and China Steamers from San Francisco are even started, it is announced that the French are planning a new line across the ocean, from Panama to China, and these islands, as will be observed by reference to the chart of the Pacific, published in Anderson's Hawaiian Islands, page 24, lying just half way between Panama and Hongkong, will be undoubtedly required as a coaling depot. It is clear to see that the route, if ever established, will prove the shortest between France and China, and probably one of the most comfortable for travelling in the world. The steamers will run across the ocean, avoiding the extremes of cold and heat. The competition for the China and Japan trade, which is increasing every year, will lead to rival lines are many years, and none will promise greater success than that proposed by French capitalists."

A friend at Canton, who has just returned from a trip in the Wu Chai district, notes the following scraps of news from that part of the country. It would seem that the energy of the new Viceroy and the prosperity of the coolie trade were the staple topics of gossip from one end of the province to the other. "The examinations were in progress while I was at Wu Chai and were concluded on October 26th. The Governor of Kwang Si, who has been engaged against the rebels at Nam Hing in the Southern part of the province, was expected to leave for Wu Chai on October 28th. He has been absent from the capital for about a year and has finally succeeded in bringing the rebels into submission. Their leader is said to have made his escape into Cochinchina, and his followers have either been captured or have come over to the Imperialists. Thus the last formidable opposition to the Tartar power in Kwang Si has been overcome. I was glad to see on my arrival at Wu Chai that a Coolie ship which purported to be there 'On official business for the Great French Consul' had taken its departure. When I left Wu Chai two months ago there were two foreigners on board the ship. The Chinese

accuse them of smuggling many articles and of interfering in Chinese quarrels to the great detriment of justice. While at Shau King I saw some 50 men said to be Kwang Si coolies released by the present vigorous Governor of Kwang Tung. It is sincerely to be hoped that he will be able to put down the nefarious traffic at Macao."—*Mercury*.

## THE OPIUM CASE.

The dismissal of the appeal in the Chinwan Opium case on the 12th is likely to give extensive satisfaction to all who are interested in seeing any attempt to evade the laws of the Colony frustrated. The case is so simple that it may be stated in few words, and as it is of importance as a precedent, we shall endeavour to place it before our readers divested of the technicalities which necessarily attend an ordinary report.

Briefly then, a certain opium boiler, by way of avoiding the payment of the license fees due to the opium farmer of the year, removes to a small village on the mainland not far from hence, called Chinwan, and there, under license from the Chinese, as is asserted, sets up an opium boiling establishment. To dispose of this opium from Chinwan direct to a foreign ship is illegal, that place not being open to trade, and there being no customs establishment to take cognizance of the affair. Moreover, any foreign ship taking such opium without proper papers is liable on arrival at her destination to various vexatious proceedings. The opium boiler of Chinwan therefore obtains a shipping certificate from the American Consul at Hongkong. Whilst shipping the opium in the waters of the Colony it is seized and confiscated, and the custodians punished.

Now the ordinance framed to protect the monopoly paid for by the opium farmer (No. 2 of 1853) expressly states that in the first place the opium farmer has the sole privilege of boiling and preparing opium, and of selling and retailing opium so prepared within this colony or the waters thereof; and Sec. 8 of the ordinance further states that no uncertificated person shall bring into this colony or the waters thereof or have in his possession or custody, any prepared opium.

The case therefore resolves itself into the simple question:—was the opium brought to or shipped from this colony, or the waters of the colony? According to the best authorities, a vessel cannot receive goods and place them on her manifest without their being deemed to be received from the port at which the papers are made out, which papers alone enable her to lawfully carry them as cargo. "The manifest," says Mr. Colullo, "must be made out, dated and signed by the Captain at the place or places where the goods or any part of the goods are taken on board." The vessel to which this opium was taken received the papers accompanying it from the American Consul at this port, and they were so dated. Technically therefore the opium was shipped at this port. Furthermore she was lying within the waters of the colony (not the harbour, which has nothing to do with the case) and no one therefore had any right to ship opium on board her without a license from the Hongkong farmer. On these grounds alone the offence was clearly committed of attempting to defraud the opium farmer. But yet more: to ship this opium on board a vessel lying within the waters of the colony it was obviously necessary to bring it within the jurisdiction of the opium farmer. Dismissing, therefore, the fact of the clearance papers being obtained at Hongkong, on this second ground of an offence against section 8 of the ordinance the decision of the magistrate was strictly in accordance with the law. To urge that the opium was prepared at Chinwan has nothing to do with the case. If it were forbidden to bring watches for sale or for shipment within the waters of the colony, what would it avail an offender to plead that they were made at Geneva? On every ground the decision was a just one.

The *Daily Press* of Nov. 13 in an article betraying a singular want of acquaintance with fact and law says:—"The warrant in the first instance was improperly granted, as the ordinance states that such warrants can only be issued on information that opium prepared without the farmer's license is in the waters of the Colony, whereas the information on which the warrant was issued merely stated that it was suspected to be coming within the waters of the Colony." Well, even so that was a sufficient compliance with the Ordinance. The words are, "Upon lawful evidence being given to the reasonable satisfaction of a stipendiary magistrate &c. that any person within this Colony or the waters thereof hath in his possession or custody any opium &c.," clearly pointing out that a wide amount of discretion is left to the said magistrate as to granting the warrant. Were it intended that no warrant could be obtained without absolute proof of the illegal possession why introduce the phrase, "to the reasonable satisfaction," and why embody Art. XV in the ordinance providing against frivolous or vexatious charges, which could never be made if suspicion was entirely excluded from the grounds of action? Our contemporary further terms the discussion as to what are and what are not the waters of the Colony "wretched squabbling"—yet this is the very point upon which the whole case turns! We do not know the legal point whence the *Daily Press* draws its inspirations, but they have been singularly unhappy in the case under consideration. First it blunders between

the harbour and the waters of the Colony. It then attempts to define the "waters" of the Colony in a way which betrays an absolute unacquaintance with the first principles of international law. And now after giving judgment, in its own belief, more wisely than either Magistrate or Chief Justice, winds up by the brilliant suggestion that the Governor should interfere in this case and "remit the fine, restore the opium seized, or even make the injured parties compensation." We, on the contrary, trust that His Excellency will leave the matter as it stands, that he will not interfere with the ordinary course of law. It is doing his best to put down piracy; it would be inconsistent to afford indirect encouragement to opium smuggling.

## THE EAST INDIA TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

As a contemporary facetiously observed, everybody does know that Dr. McGowan has come to China to lay down a telegraphic wire from some one part of Chinato another. We have not yet seen, however, that the scheme of the company here represents has been actually stated in detail and we therefore subjoin some of its more noticeable features. The EAST INDIA TELEGRAPH COMPANY has, it appears, been started to lay down, if possible, a line of telegraph connecting the cities of Canton, Hongkong, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpo, Shanghai, Nanking and Peking and also intermediate places. Its capital consists of 1,000,000 in shares of \$50 each and it numbers some influential names amongst its directors.

This line forms a connecting link between that now being constructed under the grants obtained by P. McE Collins, uniting the San Francisco Telegraph with Peking via Behring's Straits, and the British line from Calcutta to Canton, and will complete the continent of Europe and Great Britain. \$200,000 of the stock has been set apart to be disposed of in the United States, \$100,000 in Europe and \$100,000 in China, at \$40 per share; the terms for which are as follows: 10 per cent. in cash at the time of subscribing, 10 per cent. when called for by the Trustees, upon a notice of not less than thirty days, (which will probably not be called for under six months), and a further assessment of 25 per cent., after the stock set apart for the continuation of the line shall have been disposed of.

Thus far the prospectus as to the object of the new company represented by its agent. We have already expressed our opinion that the first necessary step will be the laying of a submarine cable from Hongkong to Shanghai. We learn however that it is intended to commence, if possible, by a line between Hongkong and Canton which is to be regarded as purely experimental or at least as likely to be worked at a loss for some time. A great step will however have been gained if the Viceroy could, after satisfying himself of its practical uses, be induced to recommend such a project strongly to the Peking authorities. The chief difficulty here is not the mere getting a permission to erect a line of telegraph but to ensure its remaining unharmed by the natives, and this we fear will be a difficulty of alarming magnitude. We cannot however but feel an interest in watching the first efforts towards conferring on China so powerful an instrument for the transmission of intelligence as the electric telegraph, and though we believe that the scheme must be commenced in the way we have indicated we shall none the less readily confess ourselves to have underestimated the difficulties of the undertaking, should Mr. McGowan succeed in the course he proposes to adopt.

## AMENITIES OF THE BENCH.

It is always very much to be deplored when a justice of the peace incurs the censure of a judge. The office of Magistrate is invariably regarded with much tenderness and respect by judges of the Superior Courts in England; and it is only upon accumulated proofs of incapacity, or in extreme cases, that the Queen's Bench, or Her Majesty's Attorney General, will officially remove an occupant of the police bench. The censure pronounced yesterday by our Chief Justice upon Mr. Mitchell, J. P., came upon us, as we dare say it did upon him, as a startling surprise. It was uttered during His Honor's judgment on the opium appeal case, and our reporter has preserved it as follows:—

His Lordship in the course of his summing up observed, that he was surprised at the remarks made by the sitting Magistrate, Mr. F. W. Mitchell, with reference to a former decision of the late Chief Justice Hulme, and expressed his opinion in very strong terms at that gentleman's behaviour in speaking of the decision of a Superior Court with disrespect. His Lordship was of opinion that it was an insult to the bench, and as long as he presided there, he would have it understood that he represented the Queen's Bench in its fullest integrity and he could not help thinking that had such remarks fallen from an inferior Judge in England some official notice would have been taken of it.

In the *Mercury* of November 13 we find the following additional reference to the same matter, and incidentally to something else:—

The Chief Justice again resorted to the language used by the Magistrate with reference to the Bench. He did not (said his Lordship) give a reason for what people said about him personally; but as long as he held the position he now did he would look for respect from all inferior judges. That the public press had a right to say anything within a reasonable bound, no one held more strongly; that any one in private could speak what pleased of the bench he admitted; but while he held that seat he would not allow such language to be used by inferior Judges.

We shall exercise the right which the press undoubtedly possesses to demur to the language which the Chief Justice has applied to a Magistrate, and we have not

the slightest hesitation in using, under such circumstances, unparliamentary language. That a Magistrate should utter former judgment by a superior court is a very common incident in the Bench. Precedent is not a new thing. His Worship as before I said, not, however, our intention for the present at any rate, against the implication of the Chief Justice with the Magistrate. There was a higher court, to which the Chief Justice was referred by Mr. Mitchell that in his language that could into personal disrespect, dead or living; and Mitchell, and all other the sphere of the Chief Justice, will not be deterred their duty by any fear of as Mr. Mitchell employed within the terms of the other Bench. His Honor reports) said he "would for what people said about Possibly not, though we the good taste of volume necessary declaration Nor do we believe it get nor does not need to be no one, however exalted venture wholly to disregard Persons are more sensitive, as a certain Queen remarked before His Honor be remembered, common guage" which gained time, but which we do not due. The language fence to His Honor from here subjoin:—

"Defendants objecting of the court, quoted from newspaper of the 13th of Chun Tai Quong & Co. it is said that in de therein the then chief was intended by the Opium brought within colony for the purpose of not be affected by the steps which the Opium case, which was a year to be to have been oppressive, and this strong feeling in Judge hold the opinion that if intended to exempt brought into the colony thereof from the operation some such exemption made in it, but these is and therefore I deal with stands."

## ILLICIT COIN.

We are not aware when sion lately appeared to Mint have arrived at at if not the capture of the yesterday is likely to light on the question of the new dollar for circu appear to have devoted feeling their spurious coin, and apparently w At the present moment number are ready in tot sharing with Hong producing them. In becomes most important ties should devise some stop to these nefarious greatest sufferers there can least afford to stand who, having no compr whose judgment they are obliged to receive question, anything bear pearance of a dollar. ever to suggest that "so check the crime of fals what more difficult to something should be, be taken for granted that to produce any coin wh on the part of so skill those we harbour in the ly problem which pres lution is how to prod shall require so long a trouble to imitate as urenumerate.—Wh can be produced is of which can only be settle but at present that is can see bearing upon the Hongkong coinage. from this to the mean highly injurious and il coining we find consid for consideration and crime is punished an as it used to be in Eur aggravated form. Ev we find that at home co to death by burning, th rule, strangled (not ha erected over the pile of were to be consumed. revolts at so barbarou the even infliction of for an offence again fellow creatures, and of capital punishment, ing has become less would desire to reviv even for Chinese rascals must be found of detection so great and vere, as to deter them which it has just been carry on under our ver It may be urged that rather claim gain vor some years is a suffi nishment. Those h the Chinese estimate of fully bear us out in as sentence does not app severe to the native m it is to a knowledge of torture and death for portant in their dami dividuals or society than therefore of resorting to



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**CHRONICLE OF LINGRAY,**  
*(From the Gov. Gazette.)*  
 In Saturday's Government Gazette, it is notified, that Inspector William Jones is demoted from the Hongkong Police Force from the 1st Nov. and that H. Langdon, Sergeant of Police, is appointed Inspector of Brothels from that date, vice Jones, dismissed.

**FINDING OF COURT OF ENQUIRY HELD ON THE LOSS OF THE BRITISH SHIP "WESTMINSTER."**  
 THE COURT having deliberated and considered the evidence which has been adduced conclude :—

**FIRST.**—That the *Westminster* (Official Number 5327) was lost at about 9.30 p. m. on the 30th September, 1896, on the North East extreme of the Pratas Reef in the China Sea.

**SECOND.**—Owing to the loss of the Ship's Log Book and all papers connected with her navigation, we are unable to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion as to the cause of the wreck of the *Westminster*. The Master's statement, which is from memory only, shows that there had been no current between the hours of 8 A.M. and 4 P.M., but that from the latter hour to the time at which she struck, 9.30 P.M., she experienced one of 34 miles, due West.

**THIRD.**—Assuming that the position pointed out to us on the Chart of the *Westminster* was that of the Ship at noon of the 30th ultimo, we are of opinion that, consi-



## SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 12th November, 1866.  
Before His Honor the Chief Justice.

Appeal.  
Hu-nu against Tang-see and others.

Do. Do. Chu-che-nam.  
Mr. Barnard, instructed by Mr. Caldwell, appeared for the appellants, and Mr. Pollard, c., instructed by Mr. Hazeland for the respondents.

The proceedings were in reference to the opium farming case decided in the Police Court by Mr. Mitchell some time since.

Mr. Pollard and Mr. Barnard rose together to open the case. Mr. Barnard said that he came there to support a motion, Mr. Pollard on the other hand said that appellants had first to prove their right to appeal before they could proceed, as the learned counsel for the respondents contended, the appellants had not complied with the requirements laid down in the local Ordinance for regulating the course of proceedings on appeal. The learned counsel then moved the Court, that on the above grounds, the cause be struck off the paper.

The Ordinance referred to in Section 2 requires that within three clear days after a case has been delivered to an appellant, he shall first transmit a copy thereof with a notice in writing of his appeal to the Respondent, and shall thereupon transmit the said case to the Supreme Court. This had not been done, and the learned counsel in support of his argument quoted the Imperial Act on the subject of appeals where his argument was clearly supported, and also several cases in which cases of appeal had been decided against the appellants. The learned counsel further stated that the Appellants had complied with the first part of the requirements of the ordinance, but unfortunately for themselves they had stopped short half way, and that consequently their case was dead, and that they could not proceed with the appeal. He was of opinion that the case did not admit of any argument seeing that the case had not been filed in the Registrar's Office for three weeks after delivery.

Mr. Barnard admitted that the case had not been transmitted within three days, but argued that they must fall back on the Ordinance as it now stands, and after reading the Ordinance, urged that the reading thereof did not intend to convey the meaning that the case should be deposited with the Registrar of the Supreme Court within the same period as the copy supplied to the Respondents. His reading of the clause was that it only intimated that the deposit in the Supreme Court should be made within a reasonable period, and that it was unnecessary to the Respondents, inasmuch as the notice served on them put them in possession of the fact of the appellant's intention to appeal against the decision of the Magistrate, and that having done so they were at liberty to commence further proceedings as soon as they could complete their case. The learned counsel relied on the wording of section 2 of the same Ordinance wherein it is laid down that within three clear days either party to a suit determined by a Justice may apply in writing to the said Justice to state and sign a certificate setting forth the facts of the said matter, and the grounds of the said determination. The learned counsel admitted that undoubtedly the whole case before the Court now was, whether the appellants were compelled to transmit, under section 6, the case to the Supreme Court within three days. He admitted in answer to an interrogatory from the Chief Justice, that they would be out of Court in England, but at the same time he submitted that such a circumstance could not affect a decision in this Colony, or that an Imperial Statute was sufficient to guide His Lordship in ruling the case before him, and that the construction of the sentence must be decided by the Court here, and not by precedents. Another view of the case was that had not the appellants served the Respondents with the copy of appeal, their recognizance would have been forfeited. The learned counsel concluded his remarks by again urging that the wording of the clause palpably admitted of two readings, and that the case as it stood before the Court was the original case of appeal and referred to section 6 of the Ordinance.

His Honor in deciding the motion made by the counsel for the respondents, said that no authorities having been produced by the appellants to support their view of the construction, in its proper meaning, of the ordinance bearing on the question, he had to decide. That certain preliminaries to the action had not been performed, was supported by the precedents quoted by the learned counsel for the Respondents, as to the practice in English Courts of Appeal; though undoubtedly the course of much hardship it was clear in the mind of the Chief Justice, that he was much to be regretted that the Legislature here had not copied the Imperial Act in its integrity, which was in itself a model of conciseness and definiteness. Had such been done the present cloud could not have enveloped the present case and His Honor under the circumstances felt bound, after the decisive authorities quoted by Mr. Pollard, to fall back on the English Act, however much he regretted it as so. His Honor remarked that he hoped as long as he sat on that bench, he might never have such a case before him, so meagre and so unimpressive. He dismissed the appeal without costs.

## POLICE REPORTS.

Wednesday, 14th November, 1866.  
Before J. C. WHITE, Esq.

## THE LUBRA PIKACY.

A Yook, the supposed murderer of Captain Hovey, was brought up this morning on remand by Inspector Daly. The prisoner appeared very nervous, and presented anything, but a piratical appearance, in the general acceptance of that term, on the contrary his personal appearance and demeanour being more that of a confirmed opium smoker, than that of the desperate character he is reported to be, and his indulgence in the former pernicious drug, mainly led to his capture. Mrs. Lucy Hovey, the widow of the late Captain Benjamin P. Hovey, who, we are happy to say, has somewhat recovered from the cruel shock she has received, deposed, that on Friday, the 21st of September, she left the harbour of Hongkong bound to Japan. On Sunday following about half past six in the evening, the *Lubra* was attacked by pirates. One small junk bore down on them bringing muskets. Witness went below immediately, when, after boarding, the junk having run up alongside, the pirates came below, demanding opium and gold. Witness and her husband, the late Captain, were in the cabin together. Witness positively identifies the prisoner, as the head man of the pirates, and the same who

talked with her late husband about the gold and opium, which conversation was carried on by the prisoner in very good English. The prisoner was moreover addressed by the other pirates as captain. Witness's late husband, in answer to the prisoner's enquiry, said he had no opium or gold on board. The prisoner threatened to kill them all, if both articles were not produced, and after ransacking the cabin in vain went on deck with his followers. Shortly afterwards, the prisoner returned below and demanded the opium stating that a coffee on board had said they had some in the vessel. At the time of the attack the ship carried a Chinese steward and Chinese Cook, both of whom have since disappeared. Prisoner not being satisfied with the further assurance of the Captain, that there was no opium or gold on board, searched all witness's trunks and boxes, and presently proceeded to the hold of the vessel. The pirates returning to the cabin attempted to drag her husband on deck, but he resisted, and all of them went on deck leaving witness in about a quarter of an hour returned to the cabin with another man, and they helped themselves to some wine. After this the remainder of the pirates left the ship to go on board the junk, which was alongside when the prisoner again came from the cabin window the pirates passing the cargo out of the *Lubra* to their junk.

This terminated Mrs. Hovey's testimony which was given throughout without the slightest hesitation, leaving no doubt as to her complete conviction of the prisoner's connection with the fatal business which terminated so lamentably to herself.

Inspector Daly being sworn stated that only last of the present month, from information received, he proceeded on board a cargo boat, anchored off Whangchi, where he arrested the prisoner, whom he found in the fore hold smoking opium. Prisoner was pointed out to witness by a Chinaman who accompanied him. The prisoner was personally unknown to witness, but he answered to the description previously received of his general appearance.

His Worship remarked that nothing could be clearer than the manner in which the first witness had identified the prisoner, and remanded the case for further hearing until to-morrow at 12.

## THE FRENCH EXPEDITION TO THE COREA.

The Shanghai *Revueur* gives publicity to the following extracts from the diary of a French officer engaged in the expedition to the Korean capital. It will be read with much interest, inasmuch as the *Missionnaires* defended by the only Mandarin who presented himself; but nothing is told about the *General Sherman* and the burning of its crew. The writer says:—

11th October.—The following vessels of war left Chefoo at 6 P.M. The *Guerrille*, *Primoguet*, *Laplace*, *Kienchan*, *Derulide*, *Le Breton* and *Tardif*, weather most beautiful, and the sea as smooth as glass.

12th.—The morning on the 12th ended out at 10 A.M. land on port side, found to be the Islands *Jeniere*, the weather continued beautiful. After sailing among the group, the fleet came to anchor at 6 P.M. in sight of *Eugenie Island*.

13th.—At 7 A.M. the fleet got under weigh and went on slowly through the many islets surrounding the coast of Corea. 2 P.M. anchored opposite *Woody Island*, at the entrance of the river leading to Kang-ho.

14th.—The *Guerrille*, *Primoguet* and *Laplace* remained at anchor, there not being water enough for them to proceed on. The four remaining smaller vessels made ready. The *Kienchan* and *Derulide* towed by the barges with the landing party, ammunition, baggage, &c. The *Gun-boat Tardif* went ahead of all, ready for engagements, having been fully loaded and primed and the *Corvette Riflemen* put on board of last quite prepared for any emergency. The *Le Breton* (another gun-boat) closed the rear, armed and ready in the same way. These vessels one after the other took their positions in front of eleven petty forts, the inside of which appeared to contain nothing. No movement of any kind in the forts and not a soul in the way of garrisoning them, notwithstanding several muskets and guns were visible in the embrasures.

9 A.M. signalled to the Admiral, on board the *Derulide*, pointing to two *Corvets* on board the *tricolor* flag from cave, overhanging the rocks on the banks. The *Corvets* pilot on board took up a spyglass and recognized them. It was impossible to go and fetch them, but as a *Corvets* Junk was lying opposite the place, without any one on board, the impression was they would have taken advantage of the occasion and joined the fleet at Kangho, not far up the river. 10 A.M. The *Kienchan* got aground on a sand bank, the Admiral went on notwithstanding the accident, calculating, of course, on her being again afloat on the return of the tide. There was no danger, still the delay in getting the boats of the *Guerrille* up, which were being towed by the *Kienchan* was considerable, and some momentary delay was caused by the fact that the Admiral did not stop the progress of the remainder of the fleet. 10.15 A.M. sighted the beach where the landing was to take place. 10.40, 400 men landed. The *Tardif*, commissioned to clear the way, if any resistance should be apparent. Found nothing in the way and did not fire a single shot, not a soldier was visible, and only about thirty *Corvets*, from curiosity apparently, were noticed grouped in front of houses. Land the men shortly afterwards looking the low land, at the end of which is situated the city of Kangho, and the artillery was placed on the highest elevated hill. Meanwhile the *Tardif* came up, having in tow the barges with the rest of the landing party, which landed at noon and took possession of the village, which was found entirely deserted. Everybody had gone from it, and taken with him what he had of value, leaving behind in their houses, the furniture, clothes and a quantity of provisions.

A shower of rain, a nuisance to every body, came on at this time. As there was no enemy to face, the Admiral gave orders to the men to fall out, and company after company took possession of the hamlets near the river side.

The rain having stopped several pickets went out in search of arms, stores, &c. and discovered only some fifty useless and dismantled cannon; two rooms full of gingalls and bows, and a powder magazine close to a pagoda. We passed the night very comfortably. We had an excellent supper consisting of fowls and two pigs, left behind by the natives; while vegetables were plentiful in all the gardens.

October 16th.—A noise somewhat like an explosion was heard; proved to result from

some powder having got ignited in being carried down to the river, from which accident three men were slightly wounded. At 8 A.M. one party reconnoitred the banks on the north side to try the forts; while the commanding officer made his way with a strong force towards the city of Kangho, situated about three miles up. Kangho is the chief town of the lake and is looked upon by the natives as one of their strongest places. Captain D'Ozery went into the City and dislodged some of the firing party. He was fired upon by the *Corvets* from the ramparts at a distance of over 1800 yards; but not one shot told, as they were all fired too high. The fire was returned by the French Riflemen, and the *Corvets* bottled back and the gate broken open with axes.

The commanding officer would not keep possession of the City, although eighty men would have been quite a sufficient garrison for it. He surveyed the place thoroughly and after burning the defences on the gates, he returned to the head quarters on the banks, carrying with him the flag seized on the walls. Three *Corvets* were killed by the French bullets, but not one of the French soldiers slightly hurt. Yesterday at 4 P.M. eight *Corvets* presented themselves at the advance post, four of whom bore a chair in which an old man was seated. As he appeared to command much respect he was taken to be a Mandarin who had come to see the Admiral. He was accordingly escorted to the Admiral's ship, the *Derulide*, where he acted as interpreter. The Mandarin's behavior was unbecomingly and defiant. He admitted the murder of the *Missionnaires*, but had the audacity to add that it was the right way to serve them. As was naturally to be expected, the Mandarin was abruptly dismissed by the Admiral, and went away, doubtless much disgusted.

On Captain D'Ozery's return, the Admiral gave orders to attack Kangho at half past eight the following morning. October 18th.—8.30 A.M.—Three *Corvets* advancing under march, Captain D'Ozery commanding the foremost one. 9.30 A.M.—After a march, more resembling a walk than anything else, the Admiral halted Captain D'Ozery's men. The force was about four hundred yards from the City walls, when they fired several shots. Shortly afterwards they scaled the walls, but not one single *Corvets* soldier was to be seen; though a few men were observed in the distance, holding up their hands as they fled. The French soldiers burst open the principal gate and the Admiral made his entry into the City of Kangho, the remainder of the men carrying arms. The inhabitants had fled to the hills during the previous night, taking with them all that they could carry, scarcely any one being left in the whole place. The Admiral visited the city, at which place soldiers were brought before him. They asserted that the Mandarin had left the City that morning and had induced all the people to follow his example. The French soldiers scattered themselves over the City and looked some *Corvets*, pigs, fowls and other such things. The Government Store was also entered and a quantity of swords, arrows and other weapons were met with. After four hours search the Government chest was discovered, it contained only an amount of some 100,000 francs in silver ingots, carefully wrapped up in paper. This was looked upon as a rather good haul. One Company garrisoned the City, the remainder of the men returning to the head quarters on the banks of the river.

Kangho, is a city which would contain about 10,000 inhabitants. It is a small, filthy and poor place. The fortifications, when compared with the works of our military science, are mere child's play.

October 17th.—Pickets were sent out in search of munitions of war. Eight disabled and dismantled cannons, together with some powder and useless muskets constituted all that was discovered. The natives fled away, but the only Christian in the place came to see Father Ridel and some *Corvets* bearing the *tricolor* flag since arrived. They stated that the two remaining *Missionnaires* had not been captured. One of these *Corvets* is an excellent pilot and consequently a very useful man.

October 19th.—Some people on horseback showed themselves on the banks on the opposite side, waving a flag and making signs. A boat was sent off to fetch one of them. On coming on board the *Derulide*, he presented a *Corvets* flag and some papers. He opened it and found a long dispatch written in Chinese, which was duly translated by a Chinese convert. It came from the Viceroy and Military Commandant of the Core, who wrote on behalf of the King. The contents were vague and diffuse, and treated at great length of the punishment which had befallen the late *Missionnaires*; ending by a request to the Admiral to come up to the Capital and enter into negotiations. The Admiral's reply was short but decisive, and after extolling the *Missionnaires*, he laid down his claims as follows:

First.—Punishment of the three principal *Missionnaires* who instigated the execution of the late *Missionnaires*.

Second.—An individual with full powers to be sent to treat with him.

The *Missionnaire* departed with this note. The *Missionnaires* natives resumed their labors in the field.

October 21st.—The *Laplace* is announced to be dispatched to Shanghai.

October 22nd.—A *Corvets* caught in the act of setting fire to some houses was shot. The *Corvets* convert returned to notify Father Ridel that an army of 15,000 strong, were coming down from the Capital to attack the French, and that *Junks* laden with stones had been sunk in the River to obstruct the passage of the Men of War.

October 23rd.—The workmen in the field continue on. Many of the *Corvets* have returned to Kangho. Father Ridel has taken up quarters on shore in a house near the river. Two out of the four *Corvets* with him are excellent pilots and do good service.

According to a Dublin paper, an Irish farmer intending bringing an action against Lord Portarlington, to recover the value of his damaged hay, which he neglected to put under shelter on the faith of his Lordship's fair-weather prophecy.

A fine gold cross and chain, once the property of Royalty, lately dug up at Clare, in Suffolk, has been restored to its place among the Crown jewels, after lying buried for upwards of 500 years. Philippa, granddaughter of Edward III., probably carried this jewel with her into Suffolk, on going to reside there after her marriage with Edmund Mortimer, the Lord of Clare.

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## THE COOLIE EMIGRATION CONVENTION.

The Convention signed at Peking on the 6th March, embodying the rules and regulations under which the coolie traffic may be carried on in British and French vessels, does not seem likely to be viewed with unmixed satisfaction by anybody except the keepers of baracoons—"Emigration Agencies"—they are euphonically termed in the Convention—and the native crimps employed by them; unless we except the coolies themselves, whose condition would certainly be improved by the new regulations, were they effectually carried out. The terms of the Convention have been sharply criticised by the local press on account of their palpable inconsistency, and justly so. The acknowledged evils of the traffic being known to arise chiefly from its being in the hands of unscrupulous speculators, who employ yet more unscrupulous tools in the shape of native crimps or kidnappers, to bring the human grist to their mill, it is certainly strange that the very document which is devised as a remedy for these evils should commence by giving increased facilities for their continuance; facilities promptly availed of by the French, under whose colours a thriving trade in flesh and blood has been going on ever since. What is the nature of this human commodity obtained by fraud, held by violence and transported with all the horrors of an African slave trade in its worst days? The recipients of it in the West Indies do not seem to value it very highly after all. The *Guinea Times*, writing on the subject of Chinese immigration, says—"There can be no doubt that a large proportion of the Chinese immigrants have fallen into the vices of opium smoking and gambling. As many as 7,000 out of 10,000 in the colony are devoted to the first-named vice, and 3,000 to gambling. Hence only 10 per cent. of the immigrants are really useful and industrious people." If this statement be correct, the 10,000 Chinese imported in Guiana cannot be considered either a profitable or a welcome addition to the population of that colony. And if the Chinese coolies proved so undesirable an acquisition when imported under the old system, how will it be with the newly imposed restrictions and responsibilities? The *Jamaica Standard*, in reference to the Convention, says—"It behooves Jamaica to study well the questions thus raised. We want immigrants, but we cannot, with any benefit to ourselves, pay too much for them, any more than a man who wants money can expect to make it profitable by borrowing it at eight per cent. Some timely representations from the planters of this country, who may be best able to deal with the question, ought to be submitted to Governor Crear, with a view of furnishing him with a reliable data whereon to base any consultation he may have with Her Majesty's Ministers in reference to immigration from China to this island." After this, we are not surprised to hear that the Coolie Immigration Committee of Jamaica have determined to receive no coolies from China at all, if the new regulations are rigidly adhered to, although they are still willing to take some 2,000 annually should certain of them be relaxed. In fact, the new order of things seems to work badly at both ends; in China it rather encourages the barroom and crimp system than otherwise, and in the West Indies discourages the continuance of immigration by the severity of the terms imposed.—*London & China Express*.

A GREAT deal of interest is excited just now by a gigantic undertaking in Holland. It consists in draining a large portion of the Zuiderzee, in which will be recovered 195,000 hectares of land. The expense of this undertaking is valued at 106 millions of florins. As is well known, the Dutch have already succeeded in draining a portion of the sea of Haarlem and turning it into a fertile plain.

SOME indefatigable statistician has just announced that the departments in France which smoke the most tobacco are the Pas-de-calais, Bouches du Rhone, Seine, Var, Haut-Rhin, Bas-Rhin, Rhone et Seine et Oise. Those which use least are Aveyron, Charente, Dordogne, Ears, Ariège, Dena-Seyres, Savoy et Correz. Those which take the most snuff are Seine-inferieure, Seine, Seine-et-Oise, Eure, et Bouches-du-Rhone. On the contrary are Haute-Saône, Pyrenees-Orientales, Charente, Charente-inferieure et Aude.

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HONGKONG, 14th NOVEMBER.

Our last Summary was under date of 1st November, since then (on the 7th instant) the P. O. Steamer 'Behar' arrived with the English mails of 26th September and Telegrams extending to the 11th ultimo.

The 'Lobelia' and 'Red Riding Hood' with full cargoes of English manufactures arrived here on the 8th instant.

Business during past fortnight has shown symptoms of improvement. The demand for nearly all staples is firmer, and though the deliveries on the whole have been on a moderate scale, the last few days have been characterized by a decidedly better demand. A lively inquiry has prevailed for 16/24 Twist.

SHIRTINGS are still without attention. T-Cloths of heavy weights have been improved in value, and being scarce are fairly held. With the exception of the finer kinds of Woollens, in which a fair amount of business was transacted at advancing rates there is nothing to call for special remarks.

RAW COTTON.—The business of the fortnight has been characterized by a continued lively demand and deliveries are far above the average, owing to which and to the falling off of supplies from India an advance of from 2 to 3 has been established. The 'Catharine' and 'Red Riding Hood' with Cottons got on shore and had to throw some 2000 Bales to get adrift again. Sales comprise about 20,000 Bales.

COTTON YARN.—About 1000 Bales of the lower numbers changed hands at \$185 to \$192 per Bale. The business in other counts has been very limited.

GREY SHIRTINGS.—No sale of 8 1/2 lbs. is reported, and the transactions in 7 lbs. comprise about 2000 pieces at \$3.30 to \$3.40.

WHITE SHIRTINGS.—have been neglected and but 900 pieces were sold at quotations.

T-CLOTHS.—1000 pieces of the heavier makes were sold at better rates.

DETAILS are difficult of sale. For 40 yards there is a light inquiry out the market is bare of this kind.

BROCADES and SHIRTINGS are in somewhat better demand, and 1250 pieces changed hands at improved rates.

POWDER.—1500 pieces 3 lbs. were sold at \$3.75.

LONG ELLS.—In absence of any demand holders lowered their prices to induce sales, yet the business done is of very limited extent.

SCARLETS maintain their high value and continue to be readily saleable.

SPANISH STRIPES.—About 1,000 pieces met with purchasers at full rates. There still prevails a fair inquiry.

CAMELTS have still further given way in value and continue to be difficult of sale. Sales 300 pieces.

LASTINGS.—200 pieces of fair assortment were sold at \$18.50 per piece.

METALS.—Nailrod Iron has continued to be freely taken at the reduced rate of \$3.15 a 330; sales 12,000 bbls. Bar Iron has not been dealt in. Tin Plates met with slight attention and about 600 boxes were quoted at \$6.50 a 330. All other Metals have been neglected.

COALS continue in fair supply and no change in price has taken place.

RICE.—A little speculative inquiry, brought about by the inclement weather when for some days prevailed, has caused prices to advance about 15 to 20.

IMPORTS.

QUOTATIONS.

Cotton Yarn, No. 16 a

24, ... \$190.00 a 215.00

No. 28 a 32, ... 215.00 a 225.00

No. 32 a 36, ... 240.00 a 260.00

Shirtings grey, 7 lbs., ... 3.30 a 3.50

8 1/2 lbs., ... 3.60 a 3.70

9 1/2 lbs., ... 4.80 a 5.30

Shirtings white, 6 1/2 lbs., ... 3.10 a 3.30

6 1/2 lbs., ... 4.10 a 4.20

6 1/2 lbs., ... 4.50 a 5.30

T-Cloths, 6 a 12 lbs., ... 2.65 a 2.85

32 in., ... 3.00 a 3.30

7 lbs., ... 3.75 a 4.35

Shirtings white, 36 in., ... 4.20 a 4.50

Shirtings dyed, ... 4.90 a 5.50

Turkey Red Shirtings, ... 3.50 a 3.85

3 lbs., ... 4.10 a 4.40

Colored, ... 5.20 a 5.50

Damasks, ... 8.00 a 9.00

Chintzes, ... 2.85 a 3.10

Assorted, ... 2.75 a 3.00

Handkerchiefs, ... 19.00 a 22.00

Raw Cotton, Bengali, ... 23.00 a 24.00

Tientsin, ... 21.00 a 21.50

Spanish stripes, ... 0.95 a 1.10

assorted, ... 0.80 a 1.05

Medium, Ladies, and

Habit Cloths, ... 1.50 a 2.65

Long Ellis, H scarlet, ... 10.50 a 11.00

H scarlet, ... 9.00 a 9.50

HH scarlet, ... 11.20 a 11.40

HHH assorted, ... 9.50 a 10.00

Camlets, ... 21.00 a 20.25

SS, ... 20.00 a 20.75

BBB, ... 23.00 a 24.00

Dutch, ... 28.00 a 31.00

Lastings, ... 18.00 a 18.75

Shankuts, 7 a 12 lbs., ... 3.50 a 6.00

Metals, Lion Nail Rod, ... 3.10 a 3.20

Round bar, square

and Flat bar, ... 2.70 a 3.00

Hoop, ... 3.20 a 3.50

Wire, ... 7.00 a 8.00

Lead, ... 6.10 a 6.60

Tin, ... 20.00 a 21.50

Tin-Plates, ... 6.20 a 6.60

Steel, ... 3.50 a 5.00

Quicksilver, ... 67.00 a 68.00

Coals, English, ... 12.00 a 13.50

Welsh, ... 12.50 a 14.00

Australian, ... 8.00 a 9.00

Straits Produce, ...

Rattans, ... 2.80 a 5.30

Pepper, white, ... 10.50 a 11.00

Black, ... 6.40 a 6.50

Betel Nut, ... 2.80 a 4.00

Sandalwood, ... 3.50 a 14.00

Rice, Bengali, ... 2.25 a 2.60

Rangoon, ... 1.90 a 2.10

Arracan, ... 1.85 a 2.10

Siam, ... 1.80 a 2.20

Saigon, ... 2.00 a 2.30

OPIMUM.—This market has ruled very steadily and

prices close on a par with last quotations, viz:—

Patna, ... \$607.50

Benares, ... \$600

Malwa, ... \$810

FREIGHTS.—Small vessels have been in

request for Saigon and Bangkok at 30 a

37 cents respectively. Large and Medium

Bottoms are neglected. Freight to London

25/ to San Francisco 33/ to Melbourne

30/.

ard the Guerriere,

Chefoo Harbour, Oct. 5, 1866.

(Signed), G. ROSE.

CHARLES A. WINCHESTER.

EXCHANGE.

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| On London, 6 months' sight,               | 4/6                  |
| Bank, ...                                 | 4/6 1/4              |
| Credits, ...                              | 4/6 1/4              |
| On Calcutta, 3 days' sight, Rs. 219 1/2   |                      |
| Bombay, 3, ...                            | Rs. 219 1/2          |
| Shanghai, 30 days' sight, Tls. 75         |                      |
| Bar Silver, ...                           | 11 1/2 per cent. pm. |
| Sycee, ...                                | 9 1/2 per cent. pm.  |
| Gold Leaf, ...                            | \$23.35 per tael.    |
| Gold Bar, California, equivalent 100      |                      |
| touch, ...                                | \$23.40 per tael.    |
| Discounts, ...                            | 10 per cent.         |
| Hongkong & S. Sea Banking                 |                      |
| Co. Shares, old, ...                      | 3 per cent. dis.     |
| Do. new, ...                              | 1 1/2 per cent. dis. |
| Hongkong and Whampoa                      |                      |
| Dock Co., old, ...                        | 20 per cent. pm.     |
| Do. new, ...                              | 15 per cent. pm.     |
| Union Dock Company, ...                   | 17 per cent. dis.    |
| Hongkong, Canton and                      |                      |
| Macao Steam, ...                          | 8 per cent. dis.     |
| Hongkong Gas Company, 10 per cent. pm.    |                      |
| nominal.                                  |                      |
| China Traders' Insurance, 4 per cent. pm. |                      |

CANTON, 13th NOVEMBER.

IMPORTS.

A few small sales, of 8 1/2 lbs. Grey Shirtings are reported at \$4, and of Medium Cloths at \$1.60 per yard. Lead has been dealt in to a fair extent, and \$4.60 to \$6.70 have been the ruling prices for ordinary descriptions.

For Quicksilver an advance of \$1.50 a 32 on last quotations has been established. Sales 1,000 pieces 8 1/2 Grey Shirtings at \$4.60 pieces Medium Cloths at \$1.60. Common Lead \$6.60 a 32. 350 flasks Quicksilver at \$72 a 32.

RAW COTTON.—has advanced 2 Tls. The sales reported comprise about 8,000 Bales. YARN.—has still further receded and may be quoted 5 below last month's prices.

EXPORTS.

TEA.—Country Cotton.—The stock comprises 35 choys of 21,819 packages. Settlements have not taken place, the only offers in the market being 4 a 5 Tels below the Penmen's demand.

COUNTRY GREENS.—Arrivals to date amount to 5 choys of 3,800 packages, but no sales are noted.

IN CANTON-PAKED CONGOUS nothing has been done.

Reported settlements are as follows:—

3,000 lbs., Scented Orange

Pekoe, ... Tls. 22 a 28

3,500, ... Scented Cape, ... 19 a 26

2,500, ... Gunpowder, ... 20 a 27

SILK.

The 5th crop of Tassels and Luongkong is estimated at 600 bales and the 6th crop at about 300 bales, of which 300 are yellow. Of Kowkong 400 piculs are expected. Stocks at market are heavy and holders anxious to realize.

Quotations are as follows:—

Loongkong, No. 1, ... \$320.00 a 530.00

Kowkong, No. 3, ... 320.00 a 530.00

Cumchuck Lacklow, ... 370.00 a 580.00

Revered Lacklow, ... 370.00 a 580.00

Tassels, No. 1, ... 600.00 a 620.00

Suelem, ... 440.00

Punjam, ... 155.00 a 160.00

Pierced Cocoons, ... 90.00

Waste Silk, No. 1, ... 75.00 a 90.00

No. 2, ... 70.00 a 80.00

SUNDRIES.

Quotations are as follows:—

Cashia, ... \$19.00 a 19.50

Cassia buds, ... 41.00 a 42.00

Star Aniseed, ... 20.00 a 21.00

Aniseed Oil, ... 195.00 a 200.00

Rhubarb, ... 70.00 a 80.00

Sugar white No. 1, ... 8.60 a 8.70

Brown, ... 5.00

Sailed.—For London, Samuel (see Export)

For Hongkong, No. 3, (to fill up) Cheestah

For New York, Ampleco.

Loading.—For London, Cora Linn and Bankside; For New York, Albert Victor (engaged full), Charger and Powhattan.

Freights.—For London, \$1.10 per 50 feet. For New York, \$1.15 to \$1.72 per 40 feet.

SHANGHAI, 14th NOVEMBER

Our last despatch was under date of 25th ult.; since then the English mail of 10th September and French mail of 17th instant, arrived on the 29th ult. and 4th instant respectively, the latter bringing telegraphic news from London to 6th October. Telegrams to the Kinchita extend to the 5th October and quote Tea dull; No. 3 Tassels Silk 33 S; Cotton higher; Bank rate of discount 4 1/2 per cent.

The Market for imports continues depressed. More business has been done in silk and Green Teas than during the preceding fortnight whilst Black Teas have been neglected. Exchange has ruled steadily. Freight remains unaltered.

IMPORTS.

Late home advices of the improved position of the cotton market imparted a little more firmness to our market for Shirtings and an advance of 5 and, was established on the previous quotation for 8 1/2 lbs.—7 lbs. are firm but unaltered in value. For White Shirtings and T-Cloths there has been very little enquiry, and prices show a downward tendency.

WOOLLENS.—Long Ellis are lower, Camlets and Spanish Stripes have also given way in value. Lastings are difficult of sale and lower prices have been accepted.

DETAILS.—Lead is in request for Japan, but prices show no alteration. Iron has been inquired for; Nailrod is in fair demand at quotations.

SALES.

American Drills, ... 720 pieces.

Grey Shirtings, ... 12,400

White Shirtings, ... 3,600

Spotted Shirtings, ... 1,850

T-Cloths, ... 4,100

Chintzes, ... 640

Velvets, ... 1,200 dozen.

Handkerchiefs, ... 726 pieces.

Woollens & S. Stripes, ... 762

Long Ellis, ... 180

Camlets, ... 120

Lastings, ... 1,110

Crape Lastings, ... 3,150

Woollen Damasks, ... 200

Dimities, ... 450

Brocades, ... 260

OPUM.—Although the market has been quiet, holders are unwilling to accept present quotations. Arrivals have been small comprising 950 tons Cardiff and 1,100 tons Australian.

RICE.—There is still no foreign Rice here, but native Grain is very abundant. We quote:—Canton, Best, Tls. 2.05 to 2.40; common, Tls. 1.65 to 1.90. Bengal, Tls. 1.60 to 1.90. Manila, cargo, Tls. 1.35 to 1.45; White, Tls. 1.50 to 1.75. Siam, cargo, Tls. 1.40 to 1.60; White, Tls. 1.70 to 1.90. Arracan, Tls. 1.55 to 2.10. Formosa, cargo, Tls. 1.50 to 1.70; White, Tls. 1.80 to 2.10.

OPIMUM.—Malwa.—Native dealers entered the market after the arrival of the Mail steamer on the 29th ultimo, and the bulk of the stock held by foreigners passed into their hands at prices ranging from Tls. 575 to 585, but subsequent supplies proving small, rates gradually advanced, and sales have been made recently as high as Tls. 640, which is the present quotation, although rendered almost nominal by the absence of appreciable stock. Quotations from Tien-tsin and the Yang-tze ports continue low barely yielding Tls. 585 to 590 here. Patna, there has been a good enquiry for this description and prices have steadily improved. The stock in foreign hands is now very small. We quote:—

|            | Highest. | Lowest. | Closing rates. |
|------------|----------|---------|----------------|
| Malwa, ... | 640      | 575     | 640 nom.       |
| Patna, ... | 475      | 418     | 470            |

Arrivals from 24th ultimo to 7th instant, ... 1,352 491

Deliveries, do. do., ... 1,811 491

Stock, do., ... 557 780

COTTON.—has declined good Shanghai Staple being obtainable at Tls. 15. Tien-tsin is out of the market. Some enquiry has prevailed for shipment to Japan where the crops is said to be a failure.

EXCHANGE has been pretty steady throughout the fortnight, a comparatively small business having been done. Closing quotations are as follows:—

Settlements for the fortnight have been as follows: Exchange at 6s. 3 1/2 per tael and Freight at 2 1/2 lbs. per ton:—465 chests Fair Holow, Tls. 17 per picul; reshipments 1,300 chests. 150 chests Fair Ooniam, Tls. 23 per picul; stock, 43,000 chests.

Total Settlements, with Re-shipments from the River Ports, from 1st June to date, 252,000 chests, against 218,000 chests last year.

GREEN TEAS.—The cargo offering is not in excess of the available tonnage, and no improvement in rates has been established. There are six vessels on for London at 21 lbs. ton of 50 cwt. each, and seven for New York at 22 per ton of 40 cwt. each.

ARRIVALS.—From London.—Queen of the Ocean, 'Kate Carnie,' and 'Albura.' DEPARTURES.—To London.—'Scindia.' To New York.—'Feychow.'

VESSELS ON THE BEACH.—For London.—'Camilla,' 'City of Quebec,' (full), 'Charlotte,' 'Clay,' Elizabeth Nicholson, and 'Southern Cross.' For New York.—'Azyrian,' 'Anita,' (full), 'Andrea,' 'Antelope,' 'Lady Louisa,' 'Sea Witch,' (full), 'Edith Banfield,' (full).

IMPORTS.

QUOTATIONS.

G. E. Grey Shirtings, ... Tls. 2.40 a 2.55

7 lbs., ... 2.75 a 2.85

8 1/2 lbs., ... 3.00 a 3.10

G. E. White Shirtings, ... 2.20 a 2.35

56 reed, ... 2.35 a 2.45

60 reed, ... 2.55 a 2.65



SHANGHAI.

| FLAG | DATE OF | CONVICTED | DETERMINATION | INTENDED |
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| SHIP'S NAME            | CAPTAIN   | FLAG      | TONS   | DATE OF ARRIVAL | COMMERCIAL AGENT.      | DESTINATION   | INTERESTED PARTY |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| <b>Sailing Vessels</b> |           |           |        |                 |                        |               |                  |
| Antelope               | Hampter   | Am.       | 388    | July 25         | A. R. Tibby and Co     | R. or charter |                  |
| Alexander              | Hale      | Am.       | 1300   | Aug. 1          | Weymouth and Co        | R. or charter |                  |
| Atlanta                | Stoll     | Am.       | 403    | Aug. 31         | Watkinson and Co       |               |                  |
| Aperado                | Davidson  | Pr. bk.   | 325    | Oct. 8          | Wm. Remé and Co        | Newchwang     | Early            |
| Asvria                 | Mearns    | U. sh.    | 355    | Sept. 27        | Smith, Kennedy and Co  |               |                  |
| Belle                  | Young     | U. sh.    | 285    | Aug. 1          | Smith, Kennedy and Co  |               |                  |
| Borchar Carl           | Luders    | Pr. bk.   | 400    | Aug. 30         | Siemensse and Co       | Amoy          |                  |
| Brami                  | Johnson   | U. sh.    | 196    | Oct. 11         | Wm. Pustau and Co      |               |                  |
| Burnham                | Patton    | U. sh.    | 1150   | Sept. 27        | Edw. Livingston and Co | Foochau       | Early            |
| Cadarius               | Loring    | U. sh.    | 1068   | Sept. 27        | Smith, Kennedy and Co  |               |                  |
| Canastota              | Jeffrey   | U. sh.    | 391    | July 31         | Jar. Matjesson and Co  | London        | Early            |
| Chantrelle             | Vowels    | U. sh.    | 386    | Oct. 31         | Jar. Matjesson and Co  |               |                  |
| Charlotte              | Peaton    | U. sh.    | 389    | Sept. 3         | Smith, Kennedy and Co  |               |                  |
| Cissy                  | Young     | U. sh.    | 649    | Sept. 3         | Smith, Kennedy and Co  |               |                  |
| Civilie Quebec         | Pease     | Pr. bk.   | 663    | Aug. 14         | Jar. Matjesson and Co  | London        | Early            |
| Corn                   | Von Holdt | Am. bk.   | 386    | Sept. 13        | Frazar and Co          | Discharging   |                  |
| Cornmandel             | Kien      | U. sh.    | 420    | Oct. 11         | Shaver and Co          |               |                  |
| Dan                    | Watson    | U. sh.    | 239    | Sept. 21        | Weymouth and Co        | Foochau       | Early            |
| Dens Ion               | Matjesson | Sp. bk.   | 239    | Sept. 11        | Bowen Hanbury and Co   | Amoy          | Early            |
| Duck                   | Turmer    | U. sh.    | 388    | Sept. 19        | Jornoe Co Limited      | Foochau       | Early            |
| Dundell                | Lorenzo   | U. sh.    | 145    | July 21         | P. F. Cams and Co      | Laid up       |                  |
| Earl of Essex          | Toms      | U. sh.    | 494    | Sept. 3         | Smith, Kennedy and Co  | Foochau       | Early            |
| Eastern Queen          | Mitruca   | U. sh.    | 494    | Sept. 20        | Jornoe Company         | Seaford       | Immediate        |
| Eukins                 | Atchur    | Pr. bk.   | 318    | Sept. 19        | Frazar and Co          |               |                  |
| Feyra                  | Major     | Am. bk.   | 398    | May 11          | A. Hübner and Co       | Repairing     |                  |
| Frydberg               | De Vaux   | U. sh.    | 300    | Oct. 10         | Weymouth and Co        | New York      | Early            |
| Gallien State          | De Lou    | Am. sh.   | 940    | July 10         | Olyphant and Co        | Discharging   |                  |
| Grenadier              | Müller    | U. sh.    | 400    | Aug. 16         | Glover and Co          | R. or charter |                  |
| Guadara                | De Mulla  | Pr. bk.   | 276    | Sept. 1         | Smith, Kennedy and Co  |               |                  |
| Happing                | St. Peter | U. sh.    | 342    | Aug. 12         | A. R. Tibby and Co     | Amoy          | Early            |
| Hume Eli               | Petr-rn   | Si. bk.   | 352    | Aug. 20         | A. R. Tibby and Co     | Bangkok       | Early            |
| J. H. Jensen           | Jessene   | Pr. bk.   | 125    | Oct. 8          | Siemens and Co         | Newchwang     | Immediate        |
| John delmay            | Calvert   | U. sh.    | 720    | Oct. 8          | Siemens and Co         |               |                  |
| John Lidgett           | Wilson    | U. sh.    | 360    | Sept. 1         | Simlan and Co          |               |                  |
| Katoune                | Wil on    | U. sh.    | 340    | Aug. 30         | Dent and Co            | London        | Early            |
| Kammernaur             | Self      | U. sh.    | 433    | Sept. 30        | Jar. Matjesson and Co  |               |                  |
| Louis                  | Hansen    | Da. bk.   | 1247   | Oct. 9          | Bourguis Hübner Co     | Newchwang     |                  |
| Morning Star           | Johnson   | U. sh.    | 382    | Oct. 1          | Weymouth and Co        |               |                  |
| Nice Day               | U. sh.    | 305       | Oct. 1 | Wm. Remé and Co | Hakodadi               |               |                  |
| Ontario                | Watson    | U. sh.    | 402    | Oct. 8          | Edw. Livingston and Co | Unaho         |                  |
| Owari                  | Wright    | U. sh.    | 1232   | Sept. 21        | Fiorer and Co          | N. seeki      |                  |
| Padang Pandang         | Rehling   | Ud. bk.   | 336    | Sept. 16        | K. K. Smith and Co     | Amoy          |                  |
| Queen of the East      | Stoddard  | Am. sh.   | 363    | Aug. 3          | Olyphant and Co        |               |                  |
| R. C. Deer             | U. sh.    | 381       | Aug. 3 | Storer          |                        |               |                  |
| Royal Diadem           | Thomas    | U. sh.    | 174    | Aug. 1          | Smith, Kennedy and Co  | New York      | Early            |
| Scoind                 | Carr      | U. sh.    | 437    | Aug. 1          | Smith, Kennedy and Co  |               |                  |
| Sea Witch              | St. Peter | U. sh.    | 342    | Aug. 11         | D. Samsom, Sons & Co   | R. or charter |                  |
| Simoda                 | Drysdale  | U. sh.    | 670    | June 26         | How and Co             |               |                  |
| S. M. W. F. Williams   | Wilson    | U. sh.    | 670    | July 23         | Shaw, Brothers and Co  | London        | Early            |
| St. George             | Davies    | U. sh.    | 387    | Oct. 1          | Weymouth and Co        | Amoy          |                  |
| St. Stephens Cloud     | Hayden    | U. sh.    | 338    | Sept. 28        | Frazar and Co          | Foochau       | Early            |
| Syren                  | Luster    | Amer. bk. | 710    | Sept. 28        | Kittell and Co         | R. or charter |                  |
| Ta-lue                 | Wilson    | U. sh.    | 342    | Sept. 8         | Frankland Co           |               |                  |
| Thine                  | Gurselin  | U. sh.    | 400    | Oct. 11         | Frazar and Co          |               |                  |
| Thine                  | Stephens  | U. sh.    | 393    | Sept. 30        | H. Hilday Wisc and Co  |               |                  |
| Wild Dayrell           | Darke     | U. sh.    | 153    | July 14         | Order                  |               |                  |

## RECEIVING SHIPS

| RECEIVING SHIPS. |                 |             |       |              |                          |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Vessel           | At              | Flag & Rig. | Tonn. | Captain      | Owners                   |
| Fort William     | Hongkong        | B. sh.      | 1000  | Alldmann     | P. & O. S. N. Steam Co   |
| John Adam        | "               | B. sh.      | 313   | Downcombe    | D. Sassoon Sons and Co   |
| Freuziga         | Macao           | F. bk.      | 340   | Marques      | L. Marques Calisto Early |
| Mahamoodie       | Fath-shan       | B. sh.      | 364   | Oliver       | Jardine, Matheson & Co   |
| Seige            | Rangoon         | B. sh.      | 341   | Green        | Jardine, Matheson & Co   |
| An Welch         | Shanghai        | B. sh.      | 341   | Koumby       | Acquartine Hard and Co   |
| Seige            | "               | B. sh.      | 334   | Kepnell      | P. Franklin Camm and Co  |
| Water Witch      | "               | B. sh.      | 427   | Caplan Lewis | "                        |
| John Hayes       | "               | B. sh.      | 382   | L'auzridge   | Jardine, Matheson & Co   |
| Wellington       | "               | B. sh.      | 427   | Bennett      | David Sassoon, Sons & Co |
| Eschmutter       | Ta-hau, Formosa | B. sh.      | 352   | "            | Jardine, Matheson & Co   |
| "                | "               | "           | "     | "            | Mess & Co                |

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| RIVER STEAMERS.            |         |         |      |             |                                 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| HONGKONG, MACAO AND CANTON |         |         |      |             |                                 |
| Vessel                     | Flag    | Capitin | Tons | Horse-power | Owners or Agents                |
| Pame                       | British | Leferte | 90   | 110         | H. & W. Dick Company            |
| Fai-seen                   | British |         | 355  |             | H. O. and M. Steam-boat Company |
| Piro Dar                   | British |         | 420  |             | Do.                             |
| Kim shan                   | British | Haskell | 250  |             | Do.                             |
| Kiu Kiang                  | British | S-nung  | 1065 |             | H. C. and M. Steam-boat Company |
| Li-tio                     | British |         | 69   |             | David &                         |
| Little Orphan              | British | Wendell | 101  |             | Union Dock Company              |
| Pojang                     | British | Qu-ean  | 238  |             | H. O. and M. Steam-boat Company |
| Sir A. Jaysebby            | British | Guan    | 150  |             | Aschoeng                        |
| Spaka                      | Amer.   | Falls   | 140  |             | Thomas Hunt & Co.               |
| White Legend               | British | Arrol   | 300  |             | H. C. and M. Steam-boat Company |

1. The first step in the process is to identify the problem or issue that needs to be addressed. This involves gathering information and understanding the context of the problem.

| R. B. M. Ships in the China Squadron. |                       |       |      |                           |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| NAME.                                 | RIG.                  | GUNS. | H.P. | CAPTAIN.                  | WHERE AT.         |
| Acorn,                                | steam Troop ship      | 2     | 400  | Master Commanding—        | Shanghai          |
| Adventure,                            | gun-vessel            | 3     | 400  | Charles L. Waddiford      | Yokohama          |
| Algerine,                             | steam-sloop           | 3     | 87   | C. E. Donville Lieut.     | Hankow            |
| Argus,                                | gun-boat              | 3     | 300  | H. E. Round C-mander      | Japan             |
| Basileet,                             | gun-boat              | 3     | 80   | J. C. Pringle Lieut.      | Hongkong          |
| Banterer,                             | paddle sloop          | 3     | 400  | W. N. W. Hewitt V.C.      | Hongkong          |
| Bonnet, Steam Ord.                    | gun-boat              | 3     | 60   | J. Ordinary (rafting)     | Hongkong          |
| Butard,                               | gun-boat              | 3     | 30   | C. T. Macquy Lieut.       | Japan             |
| Cockchafer,                           | gun-boat              | 1     | 60   | Howard Kerr Lieut.        | Hongkong          |
| Cormorant,                            | despatch vessel       | 4     | 200  | G. D. Broad Comr.         | Japan             |
| Dove,                                 | gun-boat              | 3     | 60   | In ordinary               | Hongkong          |
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